sold in and around school and hospital premises so as to protect health of the children;

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in pursuance of the said recommendation:

(c) whether Government have received any communication in this regard from the State Governments|Union Territories; and

(d) if not, whether Government propose to ascertain the position from the State| Union Territory Governments?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (MISS KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI): (a) Yes.

(b) The recommendations of the Ninth Joint Conference the Central Council of Health and the Central Family Welfare Council held in New Delhi in 1983 have been brought to the notice of the State Governments Union Territory Adminstrations for taking action.

(c) and (d) Most of the State Food (Health) Authorities have intimated that necessary steps have been taken to ensure the implementation of recommendations of the 9th Joint Conference. The State Governments have instructed the local health authorities to pay special attention to the quality of food being sold in and around school premises. Some State Governments have launched special drive to check the quality of food being sold by the hawkers near school premises. The field staff have been instructed to inspect by surprise, places around the school premises where food articles are sold by hawkers and collect samples. The State Governments have also intimated that licensing conditions are being rigidly enforced.

Lifting the ban on roller flour mills

2691. SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Times of India Delhi, of the 19th July, 1984, under the caption 'Grain drain only way out' if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether Government have lifted the ban on setting up of new roller flour mills in small-scale sector in view of the bumper crop, particularly in 'no industry/special region districts'; if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) if reply to part (b) above be in the negative, what technical and other difficulties Government are facing for lifting the ban and what loss Government are likely to suffer in lifting the ban, particularly in the small-scale sector

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI M. S. SANJEEVI RAO): (a) Yes, Sir, There is no proposal to export wheat at present.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The capacity already licensed/permitted in this industry is in excess of the present demand of wheat products in the country.

Reduction in the expiry period of d

2692. SHRI RAM BHAGAT PASWAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to ask M/s. Glaxo Laboratory Ltd. to reduce the expiry period of such of its drugs to three to four years only as are developed in other countries in different climatic conditions; and

(b) if not what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (MISS KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI): (a) and (b) Under the provisions of Drugs and Cosmetic Rules all drugs do not require to be labelled with a date of expiry.

All manufacturers including M/s Glaxo Laboratory Ltd. are required to give the